

## Accreditations

Horry-Georgetown Technical College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award associate degrees, diplomas and certificates. Contact the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097, telephone (404) 679-4500, at <http://www.sacscoc.org> for questions about the accreditation of Horry Georgetown Technical College.

In addition to regional accreditation, HGTC is a member of the South Carolina Technical College System and many of the departments and/or programs at HGTC are accredited or approved by national and regional accreditation boards, commissions and/or associations. HGTC actively seeks accreditation through these bodies when the potential for the student's employment is dependent upon such accreditation or enhanced by the recognition.

## HGTC State Authorization for Distance Learning

In 2010 the U.S. Department of Education released rule 34 C.F.R. § 600.9 requiring higher education institutions offering distance learning outside of their home state to seek authorization to offer courses and programs in states where their students reside. To support a state-to-state initiative supporting this authorization, the National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA) was established. HGTC acquired NC-SARA membership in 2016 and is authorized to deliver distance learning to any student residing in a NC-SARA authorized state. A list of states participating in NC-SARA may be found at <http://nc-sara.org/>.

For more information regarding HGTC's affiliation with NC-SARA, including complaint procedures for distance learning students, visit [www.hgtc.edu/dli](http://www.hgtc.edu/dli).

## Program Accreditations

### **Cosmetology, Esthetics Technician: Board of Cosmetology of the South Carolina Department of Labor**

The Cosmetology, and Esthetics Technician programs are licensed by the Board of Cosmetology of the South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation.

### **Culinary Arts Technology: American Culinary Federation Educational Foundation Accrediting Commission**

The Culinary Arts Technology program is accredited by the Accrediting Commission of the American Culinary Federation Educational Foundation.

### **Dental Assisting and Dental Hygiene: Commission on Dental Accreditation**

The programs in Dental Assisting and Dental Hygiene are accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation and have been granted the accreditation status of "approval without reporting requirements." The Commission on Dental Accreditation can be contacted at (312) 440-4653 or at 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611.

### **Diagnostic Medical Sonography: Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs**

The Diagnostic Medical Sonography program at Horry-Georgetown Technical College is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs ([www.caahep.org](http://www.caahep.org)) upon the recommendation of Joint Review Committee on Education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography (JRC-DMS). Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, 1361 Park Street; Clearwater, FL 33756, (727) 210-2350; [www.caahep.org](http://www.caahep.org).

### **Early Care and Education: National Association for Education of Young Children**

The Early Care and Education program is accredited by NAEYC (National Association for Education of Young Children).

### **EMT - Paramedic: Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs**

The Horry-Georgetown Technical College Paramedic Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs ([www.caahep.org](http://www.caahep.org)) upon the recommendation of the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP). Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, 1361 Park Street; Clearwater, FL 33756; 727.210.2350; [www.caahep.org](http://www.caahep.org). Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions, 8301 Lakeview Parkway, Suite 111-312, Rowlett TX 75088, (214) 703-8445, FAX (214) 703-8992, [www.coaemsp.org](http://www.coaemsp.org).

### **Forestry Management Technology: Society of American Foresters**

The education degree program in Forestry Management Technology leading to an Associate's in Applied Science is a candidate for accreditation by the Society of American Foresters (SAF). The Council for Higher Education Accreditation recognizes SAF as the specialized accrediting body for forestry education in the United States.

### **Forestry Management Technology (Wildlife Management Emphasis): North American Wildlife Technology Association**

The Wildlife Management emphasis within the Forestry Management Technology program is accredited by the North American Wildlife Technology Association (NAWTA).

### **Massage Therapy: Massage/Body Works Panel of the South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation**

Massage Therapy is approved by the Massage/Body Works Panel of the South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation and maintains National Certification Board for Therapeutic Massage & Bodywork Assigned School status.

### **Paralegal: American Bar Association**

The Paralegal program is approved by the American Bar Association.

### **Pharmacy Technician: Accreditation of Pharmacy Technician Program**

The Pharmacy Technician program conducted by Horry-Georgetown Technical College, Myrtle Beach, SC, is accredited by the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists, Accreditation Services Division, 7272 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD, 20814.

### **Physical Therapist Assistant: Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE)**

The Physical Therapist Assistant program: Horry-Georgetown Technical College is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education, (CAPTE) 1111 North Fairfax Street, Alexandria, VA, 22314; telephone: (703) 706-3245; email: [accreditation@apta.org](mailto:accreditation@apta.org); website: [www.capteonline.org](http://www.capteonline.org). If needing to contact the program/institution directly, please call 843-477-2067 or email [tammy.marcin@hgtc.edu](mailto:tammy.marcin@hgtc.edu).

### **Nursing and Practical Nursing: Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc.**

The Nursing and Practical Nursing programs are approved by the South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation Board of Nursing and are accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. (ACEN), 3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850, Atlanta, GA 30326, Phone (404) 975-5000, Fax (404) 975-5020, [www.acenursing.org](http://www.acenursing.org).

### **Radiologic Technology: Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT)**

The Radiologic Technology program is accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT), 20 North Wacker Drive, Suite 2850, Chicago, IL 60606-3182; phone: (312) 704-5300, fax: (312) 704-5304, email: [mail@jrcert.org](mailto:mail@jrcert.org), [www.jrcert.org](http://www.jrcert.org).

### **Respiratory Care: Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC)**

The Respiratory Care program, Program Number 200622, Associate in Applied Science Degree on the Grand Strand Campus holds Provisional Accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care ([www.coarc.com](http://www.coarc.com)). This status signifies that a program that has been granted an Approval of Intent has demonstrated sufficient compliance to initiate a program in accordance with the Standards through the completion and submissions of an acceptable Provisional Accreditation Self Study Report (PSSR), completion of an initial on-site visit, and other documentation required by the CoARC. The conferral of Provisional Accreditation denotes a new program that has made significant progress towards meeting the Standards of Accreditation. The program will remain on Provisional Accreditation until achieving Continuing Accreditation. It is recognized by the National Board for

Respiratory Care (NBRC) toward eligibility to the Respiratory Care Credentialing Examination(s). Enrolled students completing the program under Provisional Accreditation are considered graduates of a CoARC accredited program. Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care, P O Box 54876, Hurst, TX 76054-4876, (817) 283-2835.

### **Surgical Technician: Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs**

The Surgical Technician program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Program ([www.caahep.org](http://www.caahep.org)) upon the recommendation of the Accreditation Review Committee on Education in Surgical Technology. Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health, Education Programs, 35 East Wacker Drive, Suite 1970, Chicago, IL 60601-2208, telephone (312) 553-9355.